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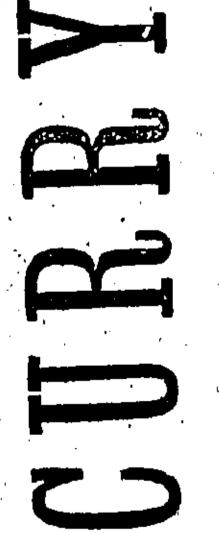
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KING CORPORATION, Hongkong. LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO., 1452 NOTICE is hereby given that a SECOND and FINAL RETURN of CAPITAL General Agents. Hongkong, 31st March, 1898

NOTICE TO MARINERS AND OTHERS.

No. 16 of 1889, A DOUBLE ROW OF PILES will be driven into the sea bed for marking the lines of the subble stone foundations of ses-wall and cross drains, from Marine Lot 185. about 150 feet Eastward from WHITTY STREET, to a point in existing sea-wall about 200 feet Westward from SHEE-TONG-TRUI Work will be commenced on or about the Ath April, and Masters of Junks, Cargo Boats, Launches and other vessels are warned to use caution in approaching whilin to yards of the said work, and that they will be held responsible for any damage caused by them to such PILES OR WORK.

R. D. ORMSBY. Director of Public Works. Pablic Works Office: Hongkong, joth March, 1898,

amounting to \$2.75 per Share has been declared in this matter. Upon delivery of Scrip to the Liquidator for Cancellation at his Office on pr ster the and

Instant each Shareholder will receive an Order on the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI CORPORA-TNDER the Praya Reclamation Ordinance Tron in full settlement of his Claim against the Shareholders who have not collected yet the First Return of Capital, amounting to \$7.50 per share, declared on the 31st August, 1897, are requested to do so without further delay to enable the final winding up of this Company. Hongkong, 8th day of March, 1898.

TO THE MANAGER

LIMITED.

(IN LIQUIDATION).

Hongkeng, 16th March, 1898.

Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.

J. GOOSMANN Liquidator c/o Mesus, MELCHERS & Co.,

Praya Central. DENTISTRY

T. SUI SANG, (Lately Practising with Dr. I. Sakata), DENTIST, No. 8, Quien's Road Contral. Houghong, oth February, 1898.

Intimations.

HONGKONG ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY. CIR JOHN CARRINGTON, C.M.G., has pon "Voluntarino," in the City HALL, TO-MORROW, the 6th of APRIL, at 5.15 P.M. His Excellency Major-General WILLOUN

BLACK, C.B. will take the chair. Ladies are invited and members may ask their friends. HENRY E. POLLOCK,

Hon, Secretary. Hongkong, and April, 1898.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

TN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Busi-

ness on FRIDAY, the 8th April (GOOD FRIDAY) and on MONDAY the 11th idem (Easter MONDAY). For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,

AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA, T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong. For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking

CORPORATION, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. BANK OF CHINA, For the NATIONAL LIMITED.

G. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager. For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA.

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For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG, E. L. HUNTER, Manager. For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Manager.

S. CHOH. Hongkong, 31st March, 1898

INSURANCE HOLIDAYS. THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at FRIDAY, the 8th instant. (GOOD FRIDAY) and on MON-DAY the 11th idem (Easter MONDAY). JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents,

General Managers, HONORONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD. N. J. EDE, Secretary. UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.

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YANGISZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD. J. B. COUGHTRIE, CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

W. H. T. DAVIS, Manager, THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD. Hongkong, 1st April, 1898.

HONGKONG CLUB. NOTICE. AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL

MEETING of the MEMBERS of the CLUB will be held in the CLUB HOUSE on THURS. DAY, the 14TH APRIL, 1898, at 6 P.M., for the purpose set forth in the notice posted in the Hall of the Club. By Order, C. H. GRACE,

Hongkong, 31st March, 1891. HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE. PPLICATIONS for the poit of A STEWARD in the above CLUB will be received by the Undersigned.

C. H. GRACE, Secretary. Hongkong, 31st March, 1898.

Insurances.

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Hongko g, 5th April, 1898. FOR SINGAPORE PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1808. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED. FOR TIENTSIN.

HE Company's Steamship

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD. THE HONGEONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, 8th December, 1807.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1898.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

To-day we have momentous news from the north-news which we should be glad to believe, though a long list of dismal disappointments has taught us to disbelleve in any alleged decisive action of Great Britain. From the first, we have expected England to do nothing; it is a proverb in the land, that "England expects every man to do his duty," but nothing is said about every man expecting England to do her duty! So, we have had a settled conviction that England would do nothing, that Russia and France would do avageddaag ..- adubst everybody 'else was sure there would be war unless France [493] and Russia would withdraw their demands. While others have shricked wildly strongly pressing Spain to grant an armistice about war, and mobilisation, and special service squadrons, and clearing for action, we have persistently refused to believe there was anything at the back of all the bluster. As we said, we would like to see Britain assert herself a little, but we will believe it when we see it. (As we go to press, a wire comes from Canton, that fighting is already reported. We feel sure Canton has been misinformed.)

We were particularly sceptical when our Shanghai correspondent wired informing us of a rumour, to the effect that Japan had ordered Russia out of Port Arthur and had backed up the order 16 new cases and to deaths from plague were with a naval movement, and that the Russians had promptly hauled down their colours and evacuated. This could only have meant that Russia's cajolery had falled and that Japan had (or thought she had) reason to rely on the active and tangible support of Great Britain. This we declined to believe; and the next tele- L. R. C. 83 games, Cricket Club 74. gram fully justified our unbelief, and showed the wise caution of our correspondent in repudiating responsibility for the rumour. Russia still holds and will continue to hold Port Arthur and Tallenwan, and Britain will not prevent it by force and cannot by any other means. Whatever specious promises Russia may make, this is a death-blow to British trade in Manchuria.

But the British Government has not been altogether idle-if the present reports | sessions, and most of the Chamber of Commerce are correct. Chin-wang-tao, apparently speeches. some coast place near Shan-hal-kwan, to be made a treaty port; Wel-hal-wei is to be leased by Great Britain, presum- with hard labour on falling to aute up \$500 for ably after Japan has been paid off and having in his possession ten tasts of illicit oplum, qualified English Chemist and will bear compa- has evacuated; and the Chusan Islands and eight tacks dross in excess, are to be annexed and fortified as a coaling station. Probably this is true, for it is Any complaints should be addressed to the difficult to believe that the fluster and fuse of naval demonstrations can have been all for nothing. There has been a regular | Hon. Tressurer. All subscriptions may be forscramble, almost a stampede, of warships | warded to him. northward, and Britain has managed to steadily outclass her rivals point by point, all along the line. Hearty thanks to the Navy League for this. It is comforting to know so much has been done; but it is disheartening to see how little we have got for it all—even if it be true that we interests of his employers were rewarded with an Into the existence of Insanitary Properties in the direct and tangible interest in the growth on the local registration of Trade Market. Your have got anything.

TELEGRAMS.

("HOMOROMO TELEGRAPH" SPECIAL.)

BRITAIN AND CHINA.

THE "OPEN" POLICY. NEW PORT IN THE NORTH.

TIENTSIN, April 4th. The British Consul at Tientsin announces the opening of Chin-wang-tao, in the Puning district of Chih-li province, as a treaty port.

BRITAIN AND CHINA.

BRITAIN ACTUALLY ASKS FOR SOMETHING

INCREDIBLE AGGRESSIVENESS. A SOP THROWN TO THE LION. SURELY A "BUNDER."

SHANGHAI, April 5th. The Peking Correspondent of the Shanghal Mercury telegraphs that Great Britain has taken a decisive step; several days ago she informed China that she intended to make arrangements for eventually taking possession of Wei-hal-wei: China raised all possible objections, but even tually consented, on finding that Russla and Japan did not oppose the British

It is reported here that Russia, with Britain's approval, has undertaken to give Japan a free hand in Korea; also it is rumoured that Britain intends to take possession of the Chusan Islands, and establish and fortify a coaling station

THE PRIZE BUNDER. CANTON TAKES THE CAKE.

WAR BROKEN OUT!

BLOOD AND FIRE! CANTON, April 5th

A private telegram from the north has been received by a person in a high position here, asserting positively that the 1,200 B.C., with a unique reference Japanese and British warships have com menced firing on the Russians in Port

[Don't believe it for a moment,--Ed. H K.T.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE WRECK OF THE "CHINA." LONDON, April 3rd.

The prospects of floating the P. & O. S. S. China (stranded at Perim) are improving. .

OBITUARY. Orton, the TAND UNITED STATES. The situation lis most critical. President McKinley will send a Message to Congress on Tuesday. Some of the European Powers are Cobs with a view to a permanent peace

in Madrid and the bishop in the United States. M ZOLA'S SENTENCE.

The Pope is also intervening through the nunclo

M. Zola's sentence has been quashed. 'GREAT BRITAIN AND CHINA. Sir Claude Macdonald'has held some Important conferences with the Tsung-li Yamen, demanding concessions to refress the balance of power which has been upon by the concessions to Russia. The British fleet is gradually converging on the Gulf of Pechili.

PLAGUE STATISTICS.

During the 24 hours up to noon, 4th April, reported, making the total since 1st January (94 days) 267 cases and 230 deaths.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE scores in the lawn tennis match played on the Cricket Ground yesterday were as follow :-

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended April 3rd are: - Europeans, 194; Chinese, 2,794; total

THE Russian armoured croiser Viadimir Mono mach, 5796 tons displacement, arrived here from Puchtomaky,

. WE regret to be compelled to hold ever until to-morrow our reports of the farewell presentation to Mr. Wodehouse, the licensing

THE assistant compredors of the steamer Viksame, L.I., was sent to prison for three months

AT a mesting of the filends of the late Dr. U Kal held yesterday afternoon, it was resolved to raise subscriptions for the benefit of his widewand children, and Mr. Ho Tong was appointed

A CHIMERE coolie was sentenced to twenty-eight days' hard labour at the Police Court to-day for hom Docks. The apprentice, who was superintending the weighing of coal, caught the coolie cheating and his endeavous to protect the attack by the would-be theft.

H. Dawn, E. W. Terry, and Chan Pat, held an inquest at the Gaol to-day on the body of a prisoner named Wong Taol, who was found dead in his cell on the stat ulto. Deceased was serving a month's hard labour for vagrancy and had been put in a cell as punishment for idleness. An Indian warder found him hanging by the neck from a strap made fast to the lug of the door. Medical evidence showed death from asphyxia by strangulation and the jury returned a verdict of "Suicide by hanging."

PROFESSOR Flinders Petris lectured at th

Camera Club, London, recently, on "Photography, the Handmaid of Exploration," and the simplicity of the Professor's apparatus and methods, say a London journal, astonished members of the Club. His camera is a home-made, tinplate-contrivance that can be dropped on rock with impunity; his drop shutter is made of pieces of milk-tin; and of a blind-lath, and he never troubles about a dark room. The mos interesting part of the lecture was the part of dealing with Professor Petrie's work as excavator, explorer and scholar. He displayed and described some of the many important discoveries he has made in Egypt duting recent years. Several statues were shown of which the date is 3,500 B.C. Digging his way through a cometery of 150 tombs, he came upon a basket, some wooden mallets, and a chisel that one of the workmen had left behind. The astounding thing (to the audience) was that the basket, with pieces of palm-rope attached, should have survived in an absolutely unimpaired condition since 3 500 BC. Photographs were shown of skeletons dating probably from 5,000 B.C. There was no injury; the whole cage of ribs, in their original articulation, remained united to the spine. Among the Professor's "finds" were spoons and harpoons of Ivery, possibly belonging to the prehistoric ancestors of the Egyptians; lvory combs, with animals carved at the apex, which the Egyptian ladies of long ago must have found invaluable for keeping together their thick, brown, wavy hair (Professor Petric has found some of that too); a death-mask from the capital of the King who worshipped the rays, as distinguished from the ball, of the sun ("the most scientific religion we know," was the lecturer's enthusiastic (aside) a marvelously beautiful piece of sculpture, concerning which Mr. Marray, of the British Museum, Ihad said, "No Greek an beat that"; a tablet the subjugation of the Israelites; and a papyrus version of part of the second book of the "Illad," with marginal notes. What particularly struck some members of the club was the portion of a frieze showing two naked Princesses attending a court function. The fiesh had been done in ruddy brown, and white particles had been powdered on to indicate where the sunlight caught the skin-- he earliest known example of light and shade.

CARL HERTZ.

The world renowned Carl Hertz; bly assisted beathment with an included talented Medic. D'Alton, Theatre Royal each evening. The numerous sleight-of-hand performances, tricks and filiasions were again received last night with the ntmost enthusiasm and the exquisite singing of Mdile D'Alton had most emphat's approbation and recalls. The series of pictures shown by the Cinemategraph was warmly admired and was quite a "show" in itself, though less steady than the last "squintograph" exhibited here. The last performance of the present programme takes place to-night and all who have not seen it should not neglect the opportunity to do so. To-morrow night there will be a complete change of bill and on Saturday afternoon a matinee will be given for children, the young folk being admitted at s pominal rate.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The annual general meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce was held in the Chamber, City Hall, to-day at 3 p.m. Mr. R. M. Gray presided and there were also present Mesers. N. A. Slebs. N. Ede, T. Jackson, J. J. Bell-Irving, T. H. Whitehead, A. Haupt, and F. Dodwell, (Committee) R. C. Wilcox (Secretary) and a moderate gathering of members. In his opening speech the Chairman first referred to the growth of the trade with China and he paid high compilment | Committee's report, which report has not been to the good work done by Sir Ciaude MacDonaid, especially as segards the Lekin tax and of a confidential nature. the work of Mr. Byron Brenan was also favourwere thanked for their co-operation in the matter on 3rd February last :of giving rewards to ressons finding hidden regarding the correspondence sent home about province and there still scemed scope for abuse. The internal revenue system of China, and before long.

matters dealt with in the annual report. Mr. G. Sharp proposed the adoption of the large proportions unless arbitrarily debarred by

least the worst section of the town, we shall never make any real permanent progress towards | the magnificient resources of the Celestial King- of shippers to avail themselves of the opportunity have delayed giving the powers required,"

Colony, Ac, sent in their report to Government of the trade and commerce of China present and | Committee, in relessate to the latter suggestion.

CAPT. Hastings and a jury of three, Messes. G. I some time ago but so far no action appears to have been taken thereon. We know the sad and bitter experience which Bombay is sgeinpassing through, and speaking at the annual meeting of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce last month the Chairman said "that the composition of Burra bassar (or the portion of Calcuits in which the native traders and dealers carry on their business) is 75 per cent of masonry, is per cent roadway, and in per cent court-yards and other open spaces, a condition' of things which is infinitely worse than in any other civilised town in the world." It is to be feared Hongkong is little if any better than Calcutta. Rock Light Tax was first imposed, that so soon as it appears from a tabulated statement pre- as the cost of the Light had been met, the Light pared by the Medical Officer of Health that Duez should be reduced to their former level, not more than about 18 per cent' of the Chinese | has resulted in the redemption of that promise dwellings in the City of Victoria can be regar- by direction of the Secretary of State for the ded as in a fairly good sanitary condition," Colonies. Accordingly, at the commencement There are very many insanitary properties, many of the current year, the old rate of one cent per dwellings which in their present condition are ton was reverted to, and the shipping has thereunfit for human habitlation, the back pertions by been relieved from a burden which threatened of a number of the houses are dark, ill-ventilat- I to become permanent. Bearing in mind, howed, extremely dirty and in some cases are more ever, that the principle of having resort to Light dens of filth or hotbeds of disease. The atten. Dues for purposes of general revenue in any tion of the Government has again and again case of urgent necessity has been endorsed by been urgently directed to the insanitary state of the Secretary of State, it will be necessary for the city—in the Colonial Surgeon's reports of this Chamber to keep a watchful eye on this 1874 and 1875 ordered by the House of Com. | question in the future. (Appendix A.) mons to be printed in 1881,-in Mr. Osbert Chadwick's report on the sanitary condition of Hongkong presented to both Houses of Parila- | the Portuguese Government declared all steamers ment in August 1882 and another report by him | entering Macan from Hongkong and Chinese dated July 1890 :- in the report of the Per- ports exempt from tonnage and all other port manent Committee of the Sanitary Board dated | date, -an important step to tecure the preserva-Jone 1894 :- in the reports of the Committee on I tion of the trade of the neighbouring colony. Housing the Chinese dated July and August 1804 :- In the Colonial Surgeon's report on the Epidemic of Buhonic Plague dated March 1895 ; and in the report of the Medical Officer of Health | four ports of call-Kongmoon, Kumchuk. for 1806. But the sanitary reform necessary to render the port clean and healthy has not yet been effected. The work should be undertaken forthwith, done throughly irrespective of the cost in money because until it is effected "we shall never make any real permanent progress towards immunity from fith and discuse." Your new Committee should keep the Government alive to the dangers to public, life and property to be apprehended from a continuance of the plague and should leave no stone unturned

until Hongkong is rendered an uncongenial abode for the plague bacill. There are advocates who recommend systematical medical inspection of all vessels entering the waters of the Colony and such inspection could no doubt be estried out. out without proper surveillance would the system prove effective? When the Chinese are ill they will not veniure to come to Hougkong. They are afraid of the wholerome (resiment extended here to plague patients. The incubation period of plague is usually from a to 6 days, the limit is the fairway and is not likely to cause any serious to days, and it appears to me that in view of the sliting up, but if the latter should occur the large number of Chinese arriving daily in the Admiral will probably to ready to apply a Colony from Canton, Macao and the mainland I temedy. (Appendix E) that effective survoilance over so large number of persons, may be \$ 000 or more. is really not practicable. In 1894 Medical Insupecilon was in force here but I undersfaud no I verament despatch requesting the views of the plague cases were thereby defeated. Out of every 12 cases now discovered I am credibly informed that about 9 or 10 are found dead which shows that the search for cases is very ineffective The remedy is in the hands of the Government who should at once authorise the requisite increate in the Sanitary Staff, take immediate I tion, nothing further has been heard in connecsteps to put the City into a thoroughly sanitary condition, and render Hongkong as far as human energy and ingenuity can make it the (Appendix F.) reverse of a congental habitation for the plague bacillus. While this task is being recomplished the question of medical inspection and the stoppage of immigration should be studied. carefully reconsidered, and grappled with in the light of mark to the Experience Imperial Govern ment in the brginning of last year for an increased colonial contribution to the mail subsidy was on 27th Februssy, 1897, referred to a Sub- | officers to perform the work, the opinion of the

weight of mail matter carried and the gross ernments-the Imperial Government, the Indian Government, and the various Colonial Governments, from mall carried by the English mail service under the subsidy contract with the British Government for the year ending grat March 1806. The refusal to supply the information we asked for is ominous and I conclude that the statement would have shewn the demand of the Home Government to be unfair, | pendix I). unreasonable and iniquitous, and an imposition so monstrously unjust that for the present it-has been abandoned. The Committee's reply dated 5th June last, to the Government was based on Information and material supplied in the Sub-

the naval subsidy. Reports had been received on in the relations of European powers to the sailon of internal Customs tariffs, which he had Singapore to-day. Site is commanded by Prince | concerning the Lekin in the Kwangtung | Empire of China affecting the territory of that | instructed the Consul to apply for, Appendix Empire, and to that extent affecting the privileges coloyed under existing treaty rights was, however, about to undergo a great change, by American citizens trading in and with Chine," "That the trade of the United States to China The Chairman then referred in detail to other I is now rapidly increasing, and is destined, with the further opening of that country, to assume

> the action of foreign governments, the exports | the Hoppo at Canton who, th competition with Mr. Whitehead said-Mr. Chairman, gentle- from the United States to China and Hongrong, the Imperial Maritime Customs, had lowered men, Belore the report and accounts are passed I | as far as they can be traced, having grown from | the duty on wasts allk when carried by Junks desire to again point out as I did at last year's | \$8,117,059 in 1893 to \$17,978,965 in 1897, annual meeting that it is very essential the "That, in view of the changes threatening to the tiver steamers to native craft. Usent Committee to be elected to-day should see to it future trade development of the United States | representations on the subject were promptly that the Government does not longer delay In China, the Chamber of Commerce of the State | made first to H.B.M's Consul and subsequently

> effecting much needed and indispensable sant of New York respectfully and earnestly usge to the British Minister at Poking. His Extery reforms as plague is unhappily again in our | that such proper ste s be taken as will commend | cellency promised to bring the matter before midst. I then quoted from a well considered themselves to your wisdom for the rompt and the Tenng-il Yamen, but the result has been. minute written by Mr. Ede some time previous, energic defence of the existing treaty sights practically nil, since the carrisge of the article which reads: "Unless some well considered of our clinens in Chica, and for the relaired to continues to be made in lanks. The scheme be adopted to abate overcrowding, to reservation and protection of their Imports Control Government at P.k'ng demand docuresume, lay out, rebuild on new principles, at sant commercial interests in that Empire." - montary proof of the practice, which it is

immunity from filth and disease," and I said. dom to the trade of the world cannot be much to lay the Slik down in Hongkong at the lowest "The emasculated Saultary Board still with us I longer delayed if the integrity of China is to be terms obtainable. (Appendix K.) has tendered and is rendering excellent service | sustained and the welfare of her people promoted. but the law now in existence does not give the Never in the history of the Far East has there The reference to this Chamber by the Govern-Board the power to compel landlords to do what | been greater need to strain every nerve to fully | ment of a letter from Messes. Marsland, Son assembling an apprentice engineer in the Hung. Is essential and necessary. Though the Board and completely safeguard our old markets and & Co., of Manchester, complaining of an infringeapplied in August 1896 to have the Public Health | develop new ones in the cause of civilisation, ment of their " Horseshoe " label by Belgian Ordinance forther amended, Government so far The example set by the New York Chamber of manufacturers, and suggesting that some general Commerce should be imitiated by the Chambers scheme of registration to cover Great Britain The Commission appointed in 1896 to enquire of Commerce throughout the Par East as each | and her Colonies, led to some correspond nce

inture, and in keeping open on equal terms to all competitors the markets and resources of the oldent Empire in the world. Mr Lewis seconded the adoption of the report.

Carried. The election of new committee then process

The following is the report :-

LIGHT DUES. The agliation inaugurated in 1506 by this Chamber, to secure the pledge given by Governor Sie William Den Voeus when the Special Gap

ABOLITION OF PORT DUES AT MACAO. . By a Royal Decree dated the 30th April last, (Appendix B.)

OFENING OF THE WEST RIVER TO TRADE

The ports of Samshul and Wuchow-iu, and Shinhing, and Takhing-on the West River were opened to foreign trade and navigation on the 4th June, and a Brilish Consular Officer was at once despatched to Wachow-fa. Provisional Regulations for the conduct of trade on the River were issued in August, and copies courteously forwarded to this Chamber by the Imperial Maritime Customs. (Appendices C and D.) WAVAL YARD EXTENSION.

Hearing that the Admiralty projected a large extention seaward of the Royal Naval Dockyard by reciamation from the sea and construction of a basin, your Committee, apprehensive that this projection of the area of the Yard would affected tho fairway through the men-of-war anchorage and cause a silting up of the foreshore in front of the new Prays, addressed the Government on the subject and asked that such steps should be taken as might be necessary to protect shipping interests. The matter was referred to the Naval Authorities who have expressed an opinion that the extension of the Naval Yard will not affect

HONGKONG AND THE POSTAL SUBSIDY. With regard to this important question, a reply war, on the 5th June, addressed to the Go-Chamber on the new demands of the Treasury. in which these were strongly combated, and an emphalic protest made against the mileage basis on which it is sought to fix the "Colony's contr's bution to the Mail Subildy. Beyond the acknowledgment of the receipt of this communication with the protest, which it is to be presumed is still under consideration in London.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF VESSALS. In consequence of a recommendation from the Local Government Board that a systematic medical inspection of all vessels entering the waters of this Colony should be adouted, on the Ringdom, to which and it was proposed to establish inspecting stations at each extremity of the harbour, with an adequate staff of medical Committee composed of Mr. Herbert Smith, Chamber was sought by the Government. The Mr. N. J. Ede, and myself, as it was impossible | question was referred to a Committee of gentlefor your Committee to pronounce an opinion on | men engaged in the shipping trade, and a copy. so importan a matter without further informa- of their report setting forth the undestrability tion than was then, on set March 1897, before and impracticability of the proposed inspection them. The Sub-Committee made due enquiry, | was despatched to the Government with a coverstudied the subject, and fully considered des- | ing letter endarsing these opinions and adding patches and papers on the question, but were suggestion for facilitating the work of the Health unable to obtain from the Imperial through the | Officer. No further action has since been taken Colonial Government a statement ahowing the [with regard to the inspection, but the latter suggestion of the Chamber, was adopted, prerevenue derived by each of the following Gov- | sumably in defence to the wishes of the shipping interest. (Appendix G.)

QUARANTINE REGULATIONS During the past year vessels from Swalow, Amoy, and Formesan ports were placed under medical inspection at Shanghal, Banckok, Nottheriands India, and Japanese and Pallippine ports for a period, but strivals from this Colony were not subjected to serious detention, [Ap-

ILLEGAL MONOPOLIES IN EWANGER In May last a notice was issued by the Provincial Authorities in Kwangsi announcing the concession to certain native merchants of the privilege of importing matches and kerosine into that province on terms constituting a vistual published as usual though it contains nothing | monopoly for a period of twelve years. The Chamber's attention having been called to this In view of the possibility of the internal waters | breach of treaty rights, a letter was addressed ably commented upon. Regarding the Naval of China being partially opened to foreign trade in the first place to the British Consul at Canton, Yard extension the hope was expressed that if and steam navigation at no very distant date it representing that the action of the Kwangai It should result in the silting of the fairway the is des rable that this Chamber should keep alive | officials was a practical nullification of the tranconditional expression of the Commodore would | to the importance and to the necessity of the alt pass privilege, . Mr. Bieran had lost no time receive effect. Mr. Edo's report on the new maintenance of the freedom of commerce to the in protesting against the monopoly, and as a Government plers along the Praya also received | markets of the adjoining Empire still largely | result it was cancelled soon afterwards, Further favourable comment and amongst other matters | undeveloped. As an evidence that other Chame | correspondence with H. B. M.'s Consul ensued touched on were the inspection of ships arriving | bers are awake to the vast changes which are | on this question and the cognate one of internal here; the storm signals, and Pinnacle Rock | taking place I may here quote the memorial | taxation on foreign goods, and eventually repre-Fund. The various Customs Commissioners addressed to the President of The United States | sentations thereon were addressed to H. B. M. is Minister at Peking, who in reply promised to do The Chamber of Commerce of the State of his best to induce the Tsung-II Yamen to prodangers to shipping. Nothing had been done New York beg leave respectfully to sepresent ! hibit the ferming out of taxes on merchandise "That there are important changes now going | to syndicates and fully recognised the public-

> PREVERENTIAL DUTIES. This off-recurring question came rather prominently to the fore sgain last year. In September last, the Hongkong Canton and Macao Steamboat Company Informed the Cosmber of a new infraction of the Treaty by and diverted the carriage of that product from The time has come when the opening up of whitnally impossible to obtain, as it is the interest

INVAMORMENT OF TRADE MARKE.

were not prepared to advocate any scheme of Imperial registration embracing both the Colonies and the United Kingdom, on ar jount the Hongkong Covernment at the commenceof the propertions such an, u destaking would ment of 1897 having proved unsaffelectory necessarily attein and the great attendant cost in their results, your Committee in December of having commensurate departments in each suggested a return to the Meteorological Signals Colony. At the same time they recognised the which had been in use from January, 1884, to importance of marks for local trade being able to December, 1836. This suggestion was adopted claim the protection of registration, and second- by the Government in January, 1898, and your Attorney-General to give an opinion on certain | will thereby benefit in the fature. (Appendix points and confirm or otherwise certain conclu- Y) sions This was done, and the Attorney General, in a minute on the subject, expressed the opinion that registration in this [Colony is only prima facts widence of the right to a trade mark, and evidence of a prior subsisting registration in England would be admissible to defeat the prima facts proof of the local register, but when application has been made in Hongkong before the date of registration in the United Kingdom, the local registration should confer prior right in this Colony. (Appendix L)

THE QUESTION OF DATING BILLS OF LADING. gerson to proceed further in the matter. (Ap. | cover'es. (Append'x Z) pendix M.)

THE DANGEROUS COAST OF SOCOTRA. attended as it was by a sad loss of life, induced | addressed to the Government on the subject, Board of Trade as to the necessity for a comprehensive investigation to accertain by what means the shores of Socotra can be rendered less dangerous to navigation. Various other Chambers addressed communications to the Home Government on the subject, and there is reason to believe that they will not prove barren of results, replies received being to the effect that the matter is engaging the careful attention of the Board of Trade. (Appandix N.)

THE RECCONITION OF BRITISH BUSINESSES ESTABLISHED PRIOR TO OPENING OF PORT. up by the refusal of the British Cousular two other questions, namely, the nationality of the branch before the part was opened, and that not Treaty Ports. Some correspondence has passed on the subject, and in September a letter was addressed to the British Minister praying him to extend his protection to the firm's branch at Shavir but no arswer has been received up to the present. (Appendix O.)

COVERNMENT PIERS. appointed by His Excellency the Governor to fer in the shade. The manager of the consider and report on the position and arrangement of the new Government plers, this Chamber was requested to nominate a rep esentative to serve thereon, and Mr. N. J. Ede. having consented to undertake the duty, was nominated accordingly by your Committee. (Appendix Q) [/ [last mail with the reports of Lord Salisbury's ALLEGED OFF CIAL INTERPERENCE WITH

TRADE IN KWANGST. Complaint having been lodged by Mr. F. W. Watte, with H.B.M.'s Consul at Canton of the action of the native officials at Fu Chuen. in burry to give. (Appendix R)

PROPOSED POLL TAX ON IMMIGRANTS IN STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

A Bill having been introduced into the Legis- I hardly knows what to count on. be resorted to for raising the lunds required. To | 5 per mouth, was negatived by the Consular had already been withdrawn and that the neces- of the foreign sepresen attres were found not to sary funds would be otherwise provided. I be possessed of power to sanction or impose

ing been asked by the Straits Government to this has been almost unanimously agreed consider the policy of passing an Ordinance to to by the Commercial Community, the amount that Colony for the registration of Chinese Trade | of the charge being only ene tenth of one per cent Marks, applied to this Chamber for information on value of cargo. The exception to the unantas to the operation of such Ordinance in Hong- | mous, vote was Russian, as it was surged that kong. The Singapore Chamber feared that the the tea in which that nationality is almost working of such a system of registration would | entirely interested should be exempted owing to be attended with various disadvantages, but it only passing through and not participating in | noise at the doors, the court itself presented no | English courts of agreements affected by chamyour Committee were able to give an assurance | Chinese import trade or consumption. As that the law in its working here has on the especially light dues had been fixed for fea, this whole so far proved beneficial to trade and objection was over-ruled, though I believe the

THE CURRE. CY QUESTION. from the Singapore Chamber of Commerce to | and we can only hope they will show some con- | Seine, in which so man; terrible tragedies have | consisted of, and in case after case decided by Join that bedy in taking action to induce the sideration for the natural impatience of the com-Governments of both Colonies to secure fixity of | mercial community and harry up. I believe the exchange and place the currency on a sounder | delay before arose out of the unfortunate docuimportance of the question, lest no time in con- I tape that nothing could be done. The principles | Bebind the bench hangs a picture of Christ on sidering the suggestion, but having regard to the of consular seniority are very good no doubt, very different position of Hongkong, which is but when official etiquette is carried to situated on the edge of the greatest silver-using I extremes it becomes a spicles of fanalicism and Empire in the world, with which its trade is main- | might casily and in trag dy if it begins in ly conducted, and from whose currency it would comedy. If the doyen is absent, then surely the be impracticable to attempt a seponation, they | next senior consul should act for him, and in | If with dust of myriads of dead pleadings, were compelled to decline the proposal to co- | matters of importance a quorum of consular reoperate in the matter, or to recommend to the presentatives should suffice. One is tempted to local Government any change in the existing | wender what on earth would happen in any currency. (Appendix U.)

this Chamber of the intention of the Corean Government to open the por s of Chennampo | rest onsibility altogether. opened. (Appendix V.)

BOUNTY TO JAPANESE DIRECT EXPORTERS

OF RAW SILE:

the actual provisions of those fately negotiated I yet i Commerce took prompt and vigorous action, i us with his amiable wife next week, and one to earth. The crowd of visitors with tickets addressed the Doyen of the Diplomatic Body at | or two other flittings are taking place. The first Tokyo on the subject and saked the co-operation | rain of the year is falling as I write, and making | witnesses was so great that a large number of of the various Chambers in the Far East in the I everything dismal. matter. This Chamber responded to the appeal, News has just reached me from Peking to the public behind us, and some pellets of bread expressing readiness to co-operate in any steps | effect that France has virtually got all she asks | were thrown, to procure a reversal of the Japanese policy, but lor, a port in the South on lease a la Germany, happly further action was rendered unnecessary and a promise that the four southern provinces

to Abolish the Bounty. (Appendix W.)

STORM WATNINGS. The system of Storm Warnings adopted by ingly the Government were requested to ask the Committee hope that the shipping community

THE PINNACLE ROCK FUND. The Planacle Rock Fund, subscribed in 1808. for the purpose of giving rewards to Chinese fishermen and others for information of the existence of bidden and uncharted rocks in the track of steamer navigation on the coast of Chine, having accumulated to a sum of over \$3,000, your Committee have thought it adviseable to make a fresh effort to utilise it for the purpose intended. The Naval Authorities, the British Consuls, and the Commissioners of Customs at all southern Treaty Ports have therefore This question, which been has very largely | blen communicated with on the subject, asking discussed in Lordon and various British ports, them to make special efforts to bring the rewards was brought to the notice of the Committee by to the attention of the native maritime populathe President of the General Produce Brokers' | tion. Considerable correspondence has passed, Association of London, and in conformity with | and the Hougkong and Shanghal Bank bave his request, the correspondence on the subject | been authorised to honour the drafts of each of was circulated among the members of the Cham- | the Consuls at the various southern ports to the ber. The practice bad not, however so far as amount of \$300 for the purpose of paying awards could be as criained, caused any serious incon- for the sevelation of hidden dangers. It is hoped venience locally, and the Committee saw no that this effort will lead to some useful dis-

DELAYED DELIVERIES BY POST OFFICE. Attention having been called from several-The wreck of the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s sterm. | quarters to the unsatisfactory working of the ship Adie on the court of Socotra last summer, Post Office Department, a letter was in January your Committee to make representations to the | instancing certain delays in deliveries of the mails. To this a reply was received enclosing a report from the Postmaster General giving reasons for the delays specified. The explanation was not considered satisfactory by your Committee. (Appendix Z v.)

NOTES FROM THE NORTH

(From our own Correspondent.) Tlentslu, March 26 h, 1808.

The deed is dove. Nothing is now left us for empty speculation in respect to Port Arthur. It | waited patiently outside a do r. knowing that it A question of some Interest has been opened is now Russian territory and the Russian terminus of the Great Trans Siberian railway. Representative at Shashi to recognize a branch | The decument lessing away the peninsula of | sgency opened at that port some fifteen years | the Regent's Sword has been signed, scaled and | * P. M. Gazette correspondent, paid the cabman, ago by Mesers. A. S. Watson & Co., Limited, as I delivered. Prince Kung alone of all the Yemen a British firm, on the ground that it will raise | band refused to add his august signature to the decument, and resigned his post rather than participate in what he evidently regarded as the of similar establishments in pieces which are I death warrant of China's independence. His resignation was Li Hung-Chang's opportunity. and Li is now a member of the Grand Council in Kong's place. The function of taking over the port is I hear to be an imposing affele. 'As I I wired you, Col de Wogack has been appointed | great occasions, for it supplies the indispensable Governor of Port Arthur and Tallenwan, and it is stated his remuneration will be such as to In November last a Committee having been | throw that of the Governor of Hongkong very Russian Bank has left for Port Arthur, and range up in the strictest order, never trespassing Mr. Stattseff the Tientsin millionaire was intend- on the gutter or breaking a geometrical line. ing to be there also, but at the last moment be The police have no difficulty on keeping them changed his mind I believe. Everyone here is in order. in a state of suppressed excitement. The arrival

such a tax. The Consular body then suggested. REGISTRATION OF CHINESE TRADE MARKS. | an alternative that what ige does on The Singapore Chamber of Commerce, hav- all cargo entering the port be levied, and neither costly nor inconvenient. (Appendix T.) matter has been referred to the Russian Minister by the aggileved parties. Meanwhile the scheme An invitation was received early in September I has once more gone back to the Consular body

by the Japanese Government agreeing to shall not be conceded to any other Power, also | the judge ordered everybody to be seated (which | senance.

PRESENTATION TO CAPTAIN WILLIAMS.

Captalo Williams, of the Chica Navigation Company's Australian liner Changsha, lately arrived from the south, has been presented with the following address :--

To JAMES E. WILLIAMS, Commander, S S. Changsha.

Dear Sir, -We, the undersigned, passengers, feel that we cannot leave your ship without expressing our high appreciation of your courtesy to us all, during the voyage, and also of your ladles during rough weather. The voyage, from start to finish, has been one

of exceeding pleasure to everyone, and it is with the eve of separation.

cause of all your officers and those under you comfort of those on board.

and much appreciated.

wishes for a continuance of your successful nerves of the jury. command. We remain,

(Signed by all the passengers.) Hengkong, April, 1808 THE TRIAL OF ZOLA.

SKETCH OF THE SCENE IN COURT.

Yours sincerely,

Though the Court only began to sit at noon, long before ten o'clock the precincts of the Palace of Justice were thronged. Policemen in groups of three and four paraded the boulevard in front of the courts, and guarded the corners of the streets. At each entrance to the Palace there was a long queue of people kept in order by the Municipal Guard. These people belong to a particular type. Ever since the commencement of the world they, or rather their like, have is hermetically closed to them. As a matter of fact, there was nothing whatever to-day to prevent their going in, I drove up in a cab. says and passed at once unchallenged through the grills. The Municipal Guard at the rate could not have known whether I had a ticket or not. He did not question it for a moment. It was not his business to do so. The crowd hooted, and remarked bitterly that I was a Prussian. I am not a Prussian. But there stood, and doubtless still stands, that patient, incomprehensible, but, eternal Parisian crowd, which is necessary to all eachet of sensationalism. They are the queue, and having more experience than any other queue in any other country" they are admirably disciplined and perfectly well-behaved. They

A TREMENDOUS CRUSH. Thanks to the unvarying courtesy of the Preextraordinary speech cast a gloom of perplexitly I sident of the French Judical Press, who this year over our spirits, but yesterday it was currently is that eminent advocate and journalist M. reported that Japan had definitely sent Russia. Touny, I found my place duly kept, and marked an ollimatum and that war would be declared in the name of the Pall Mall Gozette, and I immediately. If this is so our face is saved: was thus able to follow the proceeding. In com-Kwapgsi, to prevent the alleged owner of a coal | but if it is not and Japan does not strike a blow | parative comfort. But the struggle through the mine from fu filling a contract to deliver certain | the situation is one which it is very unpleasant | door (the press was admitted through the consignments, the support of this Chamber was to contemptate and most perplexing to under- entrance usually reserved for witnesses) was then invoked for a claim intended to be made, stand. It Japan declares war, the mystery of terrific. A torn coat and a hat crushed beyond Representations were thereupon made to the Lord Sallabury's attitude is explained, and we recognition was the price paid for victory, and I Consul, who brought the case to the notice of shall have the almost certain satisfaction of see- am vaguely conscious of having stood for a mothe Vicercy and requested him to call on the log the Russians cleared out of Post Arthur | ment on somebody's head. Certainly I can say, local officials for an explanation. Further action | without involving ourselves in ball a dozen wars. I that, having witnessed all the great cases tried is suspended pending receipt of this explanation, I have received repeated assurances from ses- in Paris during the past decade, never have I which the native officials are apparently in no possible quarters that England has financed seen so crowded a court. There were not very Japan and a pretty confident feeling is expressed many women in the perspiring, fighting crowd. of M. Zola and of those witnesses who are to be here that war must soon brook out. So many This was as well, for only strong natures silowed to speak. funny things have happened, however, that one could endure the soffocating heat and violent crush. Bu' Mdme. Severine, with lative Council of the Straits Settlements to pro- The Russians here are not unnaturally looking | ber henna-coloured hair, was noticeable in the vide funds for the erection of Immigran's' a few inches taller than usual, and they will no press scale, and I also saw the wives of several Examination Sheds, whereby it was proposed to I doubt indulge in a little " side" in a variety of I military attaches. Among the first witnesses levy a capitation tax on each male adult Chinese | ways. We had a Landrenters meeting here a lot note to arrive was M. Scheurer-Kestuer, an Immigrant, your Committee addressed a remon- few days ago to consider ways and means for casy smile lighting up his sharply-cut. Ivorystrance to the Government of the slater Colony, | carrying out the River Improvement Scheme. | coloured features | He was followed by M. Ropraying for recount fleration of the proposal and The original plan for raising the necessary | chelort, whose hat had been slightly ruffled in the expressing a hope that some other means might | funds, f.e. by the imposition of a land tax of Tis. | struggle of getting in, though he himself was quite unruffled as usual. At the back of the this a reply was received stating that the Bill | body after three months deliberation, as certain | witnesses benches stood Octave Mirbeau with his wife. Henry Houssaye rubbed shoulders with the editor of the Intransigeant. Henri Bauer paraded his flowing grey locks in front of the fury-box. A number of judges- in ordinary clothes occupied scats on the beach. Anatole France's arrival caused a hum of excitement. noticed only one officer in uniform-General Gonze. Georges Thisband, who, after being the most cherished councillor of the late Prince Icrome Napoleon, has become a leader of the the Crown. Anti-Semits, was one of the early arrivals.

specially picturesque appearance. It looked perty and maintenance. There was, he said, an much as it always does when a cause cellbre is interesting point with reference to the many being tried. A large, oblong room, with a heavilyfretted and gilded ceiling, its pak-wainscoted walls painted with emblems of justice and the Royallit fleurs de lys - the Atsize Court of the | the exect crime of champerty and maintenacce been uprolled, is a desperately gloomy_and. the learned judges, the whole way through, there depressing place. The light falls from windows high in the wall on one side only, that to the basis. Your Committee, secognising the great | ments becoming so hopelessly entangled in red | right of the judge, and facing the prisoner, the Cross, to remind the jury that the God of the Christian is a God of mercy as well as of fustice. The red robes of the judges supply the only splant of colour in the whole drab, dreary scene. I evidence having resulted in the recovery of pro-

At a quarter to twelve an exceptionally violent pushing and squeesing at the witnesses door a crime; it was the procuring of perjury and the announced the arrival of the prisoners. M. Zola | perversion of justice that made these acts China port if by some unlucky chance all the appeared quite calm and collected. He fought crimes. It was a question of public policy OPENING OF NEW TREATY PORTS IN COREA. | consular representatives arrived the same day ! | his way manfully in. He were a thin evercent that these became agreements void. Counsel admitted to the benches usually occupied by the persons were forced to stand. This included the.

An Impossible Order, At the very commoncement of the proceedings, | grounds for a charge of champerty and mainintroduce a Bill into the Diet in December last that the postal service will be separated from was impossible), and added that at the slightest the Customs and placed mader French dispetion, I sound of applause, or demonstration of any kind, I morrow,

to would order the court to be cleared. M. Zola. then stated his name, profession—komme de lettres and age, as did his follow prisoner. The lary, by the way, looked a very average lot of men of the middle class, and I am not disposed to think that they are prejudiced about the case, one way or the other. After, a little technical speech from M. Albert Clemenceau, Perroux's lawyer, which was of no general interest, the graffier to the court read, in a loud, strong voice, the latter from the Minister of War demanding the prosecution of M. Zola. The Advocate-General, M. Van Cassel, then read his official "act of accountion" against the extreme kindness and consideration for the prisoners. The Advocate-General, a tall, squarebeaded man, robed in red, with pepper-and-sait halr and whiskers, spoke in a clear, positive, commanding voice. He made a great use of extreme regret that we now find ourselves on his hands which are extraordinarily large, with long, knotty fingers—the hands of a Thug. If Throughout your ship, your consideration for he could have atrangled the conclusions of your passengers has, we feel sure, been the Maltre Labori with them, one thought that he would have done to with pleasure. Maitre doing all in their power to contribute to the Labori is a blond, a man of the north, with a rich, violent, domintering voice. Every word The menu throughout has been of the best he utt-red was a roar. He addressed the jury as if he were a colonel commanding a regiment We trust that it may be our good luck to again | to charge. A mixture of Buzinz and the "General travel under your able guldance on some future | Boum." In cascades of bass tremotos his words were poured forth. He was fa little too melo-In bidding you adieu, we tender you our best dramatic and his method tends to get on the

The first day's proceedings were not of a nature to interest deeply the British public, consliting of a series of wrangles between opposing counsel as to whether or not certain witnesses, mostly military, were justified in declining to obey the subposes of the court. Permission to | 1843-Hongkong declared a Crown Colony by do this had been granted to the officers, whose testimony was in demand by the Minister of War. Even if the huls-clos is necessary, said Maitre Labori, we must have this military evidence. "The huts-clos is all you deserve." retorted the Procureur-Général; whereupon Maitre Labori, in a most impassioned note, dealed the right of any one, even of the Procureur-Gérétal, to cast a doubt upon his patriotism. This outburst called forth loud applause from the public.

WITNESSES WHO ARE WANTED. The prisoners' counsel expressed particular auxiety to have the evidence of Major Esterhary (who has declined, on the advice of his superiors, to appear), of General Mercler (also an absentee), and of Mdme, de Boulancy, who says she is ill. "She is not ill," said M. Clemenceau the younger; "she is only shamming. She is stopping in bed to-day to chest the doctors. Send an usher of the court to her house, and you will find this is true." The judge merely smiled at the suggestion. "She possesses," continued Maitre Labori, "letters and telegrams from Major Esterhazy, much more incriminating than those that were read before the court-martial." General de Bolsdeffre had agreed to give evidence on certain points, but this partial concession did not suit M. Zola's lawyers. Even M. Zola rose and in a slightly hesitating voice asked "the Court whether some arrangement could not be come to by which his witnesses might be forced to give evidence I in a straight-forward way. This was the only utterance he mad: during the day Finally, after a desultory discussion, the Court made li clear that no evidence could be given which tended to revive the question of Drayfas's guilt. Only the subject of M. Zola's alleged libel of the army could be discussed without irrelevancy. What may be the effect upon the jury of this decision it is difficult to predict. The Court certainly seemed to be tied down in a measure by the exigencies of a Government, and more particularly of a Minister of War, who are apparently afraid of certain facts leaking out. It soted, of course within in its legal discretion; but Maltre Labori's complaint that an allempt was being made to prevent M. Zola from proving the charge on which he is being prosecuted by imcosing silence on the most important witnesses acquired at least a superficial air of justification from today's proceedings. To-morrow the chief interest of the trial will commerce with the examination

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION. (Before their Lordships the Chist Tustice Sir 7. W. Carrington, Ki., C.M.G., and the Putsue Judge, Mr. A. G. Wise). Tuesday, April 5th.

CHAMPERTY APPEAL CASES. The two men Pang Kun Chi and Wong Chuk Lum, who were fined \$100 (the former also being sentenced to six weeks in gaol) for the offence known as champerty in November last, appealed against the Magistrate's decision. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. Wilkinson) appeared for the first appellant and Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Mr. Hastings) appeared for the second. The attorney-General appeared for

Mr. Slade resumed his argument to-day He Apart from the extraordinary struggle and first proceeded to deal with the treatment by the Martha agreements held to be null and void on Kwelyang account of champerty and maintenance. These cases were not authorities on the subject of what was no hint or suggestion that any one had been guilty of champerty or maintenance and there was no hint of prosecution in these numerous cases, of which there were literally hundreds Counsel then quoted the sult Spry v. Porter (Law Journal, 1864). This, he said, was as strong a case as could be wished for, certain The very atmosphere is heavy and deathlike, as | perty by champerty and maintenance and yet there was no suggestion whatever of prosecution. It was not the making of an agreement that was In July last an official notification reached According to strict consular etiquette they of a dark grey cloth and dogskin gloves of a late quoted the case of Stanley w. Jones Apr. 2 Devouvenges ... Bangkok ... B. & S. would or should be thereby relieved of all official blood-red colour. The high light falling on his where an agreement was declared void festures gave them a rather ghastly appearance. | on account of champerty and maintenance. and Mokpo to foreign trade on the 1st October, You will note that the details of the His friends were quickly round him and there In that suit the Judge held that champerty on which date the ports in question were duly | China-German convention are very interesting, | was a great shaking of hands. As a rule, M. | involved the unlawful maintenance of a suit in | Im Pour-Chefoo, Wenchow, Klanghak, Slam, especially claure 4. I think the condition | Zola's features twitch nervously, but he scomed | consideration of some bargain or gain arising for China to allow Germany some other to have them quite under command to-day. His therefrom. It was because these agreements spot if after a good trial she doesn't find Klacchow | co-prisoner, Perreux, manager of the Aurors, had a tendency to pervert justice that they were An attempt to divert the the export trade in | suit her, and to best the expense of the had an afr quelconque, as the French-say. He declared void. In these cases the sgreement Raw Silk from Japan into native hands, was fitting into the bargain, is the height of was like anybody, and nobody in particular—a was wold but no crime had been committed made early last year by the Japanese Diet, who international impudence, and a proposal such spare, untidy, hairy man. The opening of the and the men could not have been indicted. passed a Bill to provide for the payment to as assuredly was never made by one Power to doors of the public gallery caused a momentary It was the perversion of justice that was the direct Japanese experters of Raw Silk of a bounty | another | before. The Convention altogether | sensation. A mulatto, with a curious resem- | keypoto of the case. To make this a crime upon their shipments from Japan to foreign falls to give poor China a single advantage, blance to the late Alexandre Dumas fils, climbed | their Lordables would have to go beyond the countailes. This bounty being not only opposed and the financial terms of the feare Germany to the top of a store, an excellent point of van- | records of the last 300 years, and in the hund- all NERVOUS AFFECTIONS (acquired or to the spirit of the existing Treaties but also to has not thought it necessary even to consider tage. He seemed to be in no way incommoded | reds of cases recorded in not one instance was | constitutional) DISEASES OF THE LIVER, by the heat. Subsequently, however, an it pronounced a crime. They would have to go KIDNEYS, & GENERAL PROSTRATION. but not yet in force, the Yokohamo Chamber of The Agent of the Chartered Bank leaves | officious goudarme dragged him by the heels | so far as to make it a crime for a man to assist another in recovering his just rights -even if he as no other preparation has ever been able to were to receive to per cent of the profits. They do, Medical men recommend and use it prowould make simply working for justice a crime fessionally for its marvellous recuperative and also may speculative case taken up by a powers.

solicitor. There was no evidence that this man

had no grounds to bring action or that the action

was a baseless one, which could be the only

NOTANDIA. CALENDAR.

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WEATHER REPORT. On date at On date at Barometer 30.03 Thermometer 66 Humidity..... 80 Rainfall TO-DAY.

Tuesday, 5th April, 1808. Chinese-18th of 3rd moon of 24th year of Кероне-ѕй.

Fête of I-ling, a delified physician, and of the god of the Sombre Altar, worshipped on behalf of sick children. Tewish—131% Nisam, 5658.

Mohammedan—13th Dulkaada, 1315. Sun-Rises 5kr. 50min. Sets 6hr. 10min. High water-Morning 8hr. 5min. Afternoon 8kr. 9min. Low water-Morning 1hr. 59min. Afternoon 1hr. 55 min. ANNIVERSARIES.

Royal Charler. 1847-The Bogue Forts destroyed by General d'Aguilar. 1868-Coolie mutlay on board the ship Theresa. 1897-Wheelbarrow Riots at Shanghai.

TO-MORROW. Wednesday, 6th April, 1898. Chinese-18th of 3rd moon of \$4th year of Kwong-sü.

Jowish-14th Nisan, 5658. Mohammedan—13th Dulkaada, 1815. Sun-Rises 5hr. 49min. Sels 6hr. 10mlm. High water-Morning 8hr. 20min. Afternoon 8kr. 58min. Low water-Morning 2hr. 28min. Afternoon Shr. 37min. ANNIVERSARIES.

1842-Convention between Sir John Davis and the Viceroy Ki-ying for the admission of Europeans into Canton within two

months. 1885-Peace between France and China. 1897-Robbert of 75,000 from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at Rangoon.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE: Australian (Australian) 7th inst. American (Dorse) oth Inst. Indian (Chelydra) 9th inst. French (Indus) toth last. Tacoma (Tacoma) tith inst. Canadian (Empress of India) 19th Inst. American (China) 20th inst.

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MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 1st April, 1898.

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. THE Steamship

"MACDUFF. Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 8th proximo. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Hongkong, 30th March, 1807.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND

PORTS, and taking through Cargo to

ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.) THE Steamship

" MENMUIR." Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 9th prox. at

NOON. This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1898. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ. CANAL. THE Company's Steamship

Captain Nish, will be despatched as above N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH on WEDNESDAY, the 13th instant. For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Steamship "GLENSHIEL"

Captain Jones, will be despatched as above on or about MONDAY, the 18th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, 4th April, 1897.

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE British Barque

"WEST YORK," W. L. Forster, Muster, will load here for th above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

Hongkong, 7th March, 1898,-

PFOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE 100 A I British Ship

"IMBERHORNE," Lever, Master, Shortly expected here, will load for the above port and will have quick despatched.

For Freight, apply to
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Mails.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Malls, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 16th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

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P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading,

For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE,

Saperintendent. Hongkong, 4th April, 1898.

PACIFIC NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE,

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH

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copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer). Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to

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General Agents, Hongkong, 5th April, 1898.

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG. PORTS IN THE LEVANTE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prins Heinrich	Wednesday 27th April.
Prensen	Wednesday 25th May.
	Wednesday 22nd June.
	Wednesday 20th July.
Prinz Heinrich	Wednesday 17th Aug.
	Wednesday 14th Sept.
	Wednesday 12th Oct:
Sachsen	Wednesday 9th Nov.
Bayern	Wednesday 7th Dec.
Prina Heinrich	Wednesday 4th Jan. 199.
PRINZ HEINRIC	Y, the 27th day of April, the Company's Steamahlp H," Captain O. Cuppers, ENGERS, SPECIE and

CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on, MONDAY, the 25th April. Cargo and Specie

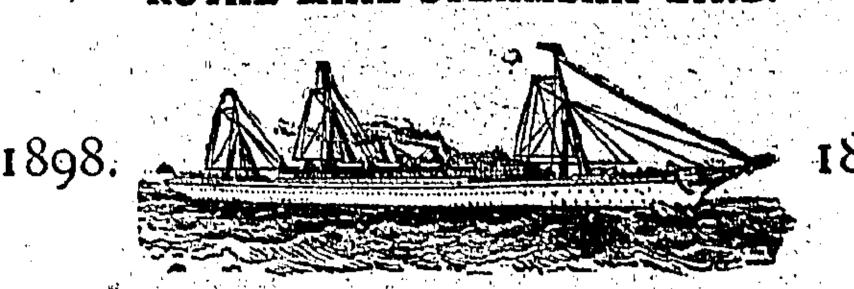
will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TURSDAY the 26th April, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noor on Tuesday the 26th April. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two West Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation

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Agenia Hongkong, 30th March, 1898.

Mails.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. BMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....TO-MORROW, 6th April, 1898. BMPRESS OF INDIA., Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1898. EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 18th May, 1898.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1808.

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STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGETROM HONOKONG. Doric (via Shanghai.) Nagasaki, Robe, In- | Tuesday, 19th April, land Sea, Yokohama at Ni on. and Honotala)

Napasaki, Kobo, In- Tuesday, toth May, land See, Yokohama at Noon. and Honolulu) Copile (via Shanghai.) Nagasaki, Kobe, In- | Saturday, 28th May,

and Honolulu) F'HE Company's Chartered Steamship

Beigle (via Shanghal,)

land Ses. Yokohama

"DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FP.4NCISCO, via Shanghai, nagasaki, kobe, inland SEA, YOROHAMA and HONOLULU or

TUESDAY, the 19th April, at Noon. Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,

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> to Eurobs. All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to to Government officials and their families. address in full z and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day

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No. 7, Praya Central 1. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 20th March, 1898

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGRONG. City of Peting (via) Amoy, Shanghal, Na. Saturday, 9th April, gazaki, Kobe, Intand Ses. Yokohama and

Honolala) China (via Shanghal.) Nagasaki, Kobe, In-Saturday, 30th April, land Sea Yokohama

and Honolula Peru (via Shanghal, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- Thursday, 19th May, land Sea, Yokohama at Noon. and Honolulu)

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

*CITY OF PEKING * will be despitched for SAN FRANCISCO, via amoy, shanghai, nagasaki, kobe. 🗢 inland sea, yokohama a honolulu on SATURDAY, the 9th April, at Noon, taking-States, and Passengers and Proight for

Javan, the United Europe. Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu. and passengers are allowed to break their

journey at any point em route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada, Rates may be obtained on application.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central. J. S. VAN BUREN Agent.

Hongleong, 5th April, 1808.

NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS. A MERICAN CITIZENS residing in the L'A. CONSULAN DISTRICT Of CANTON, which Includes SANSHUL, WUCHOW, MACAO. SWATOW, HOIHOW and PAKHOL are REQUESTED to REGISTER at the Consulate either personally or by certificate setting forth the date and place of birth and last residence in

the United States. The advantages of segistration are obvious and may prays of value in time of need. Thore is no les or charge for registration. EDWARD BEDLOE,

U.S. Consul. United States Consulate. CANTON, Chies, 1st Pobrusry, 1808. [201

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